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1. IN FORENOON JULY 26 DEPTOFF TOLD GDR DELEGATION HEAD SUESS THAT AUTHORIZATION HAD BEEN GIVEN SIGN DOCUMENTS AND ANNOUNCE ESTABLISHMENT OF RELATIONS JULY 29. DEPTOFF SAID HOWEVER THAT THIS DECISION HAD BEEN MADE PRIOR TO RECEIPT OF INFORMATION ABOUT FEA-RELATED AUTOBAHN INCIDENTS JULY 26 AND THAT THESE MIGHT WELL PUT HOLD ON PROCEEDING UNTIL SITUATION CLARIFIED.

2. IN AFTERNOON JULY 26 AFTER CONSULTATION WITH MEMBERS
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SECRETARY'S PARTY IN SAN CLEMENTE, DEPTOFF TOLD DR.

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SUESS THAT IT WOULD NOT BE APPROPRIATE
ANNOUNCE ESTABLISHMENT OF RELATIONS IN ATMOSPHERE WITH
AUTOBAHN CRISIS POSSIBLY DEVELOPING. HE SAID IT WOULD
BE NECESSARY CLARIFY SITUATION AND ASCERTAIN GDR INTENTIONS.
SUESS ASKED IF THIS MEANT JULY 29 CONCLUSION OF AGREEMENT
AND ANNOUNCEMENT IN QUESTION. DEPTOFF SAID THIS CERTAINLY
THE CASE, BUT THAT WE WOULD BE GLAD RECEIVE GDR VIEWS
AND COMMENTS AT ANY TIME OVER WEEKEND. SUESS SAID HE
WOULD INFORM BERLIN IMMEDIATELY AND SEEK INSTRUCTIONS.

3. DEPT HAS BRIEFED FRG, UK AND FRENCH EMBASSIES ON ABOVE.
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